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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	Application Number	10/082,154
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	First Named Inventor	YAMAMOTO et al.
	Group Art Unit	1756
	Examiner Name	Barreca, Nicole M
	Attorney Docket Number	2922-176
Title: MANUFACTURING PROCESS FOR PRINTED WIRING BOARD		

MEMORANDA OF INTERVIEWS AND SUPPLEMENTAL REMARKS

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Dear Sir:

Applicants, supplemental to the response filed on September 3, 2003, submit the following memoranda of interviews and remarks.

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Memoranda of Interviews

On October 15, 2003, Willem de Weerd of Rothwell, Figg, Ernst & Manbeck received a telephone call from Examiner Barreca, in which the Examiner expressed that she is considering rejecting claims 1 and 2 of the present application over U.S. Application No. 10/067,240. Examiner Barreca noted that a statement to the effect that U.S. Application No. 10/067,240 and the present invention were commonly owned at time the present invention was made, would overcome such a rejection. Examiner Barreca also noted that claims 3-11 were allowable.

In a telephone call to Examiner Barreca on October 21, 2003, the undersigned confirmed that U.S. Application No. 10/067,240 and the present invention were indeed commonly owned at time the present invention was made. The undersigned agreed to provide a written statement to this effect.

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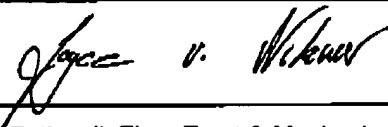
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Supplemental Remarks

Applicants submit that U.S. application No. 10/067,240 was, at the time the invention claimed in the present application, in particular the invention claimed in claims 1 and 2, was made, owned by Mitsui Mining & Smelting Co., Ltd., the assignee of the present application.

In view of the above, applicants submit that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and favorable action are earnestly requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees required for consideration of this paper to RFEM's deposit account No. 02-2135.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,					
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